

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
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Customer No. 70243

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Art Unit: 3714

For: GAMING MACHINE WITH COMMON TOP  
BOX SUBSTRUCTURE

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Examiner: A.O. Torimiro

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

Applicants submit this Amendment and Request for Reconsideration in response to the non-final Office action, mail dated June 29, 2007. The shortened statutory period for response is three months from the mailing date of the final Office action, i.e., by October 1, 2007. Applicants are concurrently filing a Petition for Extension of Time, extending the deadline for response to October 29, 2007, and thus, this response is timely. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** that begin on page 2 of this paper; and

**Remarks/Argument** begin on page 6 of this paper.